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SUBJECT: CPL LEON LOFTHOUSE

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1. DEPT HAS REVIEWED CAREFULLY QUESTION OF LOFTHOUSE TRIAL IN TURKEY AND HAS DISCUSSED ISSUE AT LENGTH WITH DOD. WE HAVE DECED THAT WE MUST PERMIT DOD TO PROCEED WITH TRIAL IN TURKEY.
2. IT IS RECOGNIZED THAT GOT CONSISTENTLY DENIES WAIVER OF JURISDICTION IN CASES INVOLVING USG PERSONNEL STATIONED IN TURKEY BUT HAS ON OCCASION GRANTED WAIVERS IN CASES INVOLVING NAVY PERSONNEL ON SHORE LEAVE. THUS, THERE CAN BE NO ISSUE OF PROTECTING FAVORABLE GOT WAIVER POLICY EXCEPT IN RESPECT TO SHIP- BOARD PERSONNEL.
3. DEPT AND DOD UNDERSTAND THAT WAIVERS HAVE BEEN GRANTED BY GOT IN CASES, INCLUDING THE PRESENT, IN WHICH GOT DOES NOT WISH ACCUSED TO REMAIN IN TURBEY, AND THAT RETURNING LOFTHOUSE FOR TRIAL IN TURKEY WOULD INCREASE RISK THAT GOT WILL BE EVEN MORE RELUCTANT TO GRANT FURTHER WAIVERS
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TO SHIP- BOARD PERSONNEL. HOWEVER, ALTERNATIVE IS TO MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR USG EVEN TO REQUEST WAIVEIS. IN THIS

CASE AND IN MOST CASES, JUDICIAL PROCESS REQUIRES REASON-
ABLE PROXIMITY TO SCENE OF ALLEGED CRIME FOR PURPOSE OF

OBTAINING TESTIMONY OF WITNESSES AND OTHER EVIDENCE.
IF USG ADOPTS POLICY THAT PERSONS FOR WHOM WAIVERS ARE
GRANTED WILL NOT BE TRIED IN TURKEY, MILITARY SERVICES
WILL NOT BE ABLE TO REQUEST WAIVERS. THE SUMMIT WAS THAT WE AND CHINESE AGREED ON SET OF
PRINCIPLES OF INTERNATIONAL CONDUCT WHICH WILL ALSO GOVERN
OUR MUTUAL RELATIONS; WE ALSO AGREED THAT IT IS AGAINST
INTERESTS OF BOTH OUR COUNTRIES FOR ASIAN- PACIFIC
REGION TO BE DOMINATED BY ANY ONE NATION AND THAT NEITHER
OF US INTENDS TO SEEK SUCH DOMINANCE. WE THEREBY CREATED
POLITICAL FRAMEWORK FOUNDED ON BASIC COMMON INTERESTS
WITHIN WHICH WE CAN BEGIN DISCUSS COMMON PROBLEMS.

" THE SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE, ISSUED FEBRUARY 28, AT END OF
VISIT, IS BASIC CHARTER OF OUR NEW RELATIONSHIP. THIS
DOCUMENT STATES OUR DIFFERENCES FORTHRIGHTLY BUT MAKES
CLEAR THAT DIFFERENCES IN SOME AREAS NEED NOT BE OBSTACLE
TO IMPROVEMENT OF RELATIONS AND HOPEFULLY, COOPERATION IN
OTHERS; AND THAT WE CAN MOVE FORWARD IN OUR EFFORTS TO
NORMALIZE RELATIONS WITHOUT FIRST RESOLVING ALL ISSUES
BETWEEN US.

" AS BOTH SYMBOL AND MEANS OF IMPROVING RELATIONS, WE AND
CHINESE AGREED TO ENCOURAGE CONTACTS AND EXCHANGES IN
NUMBER OF FIELDS - SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, CULTURE, SPORTS,
AND JOURNALISM. FROM MODEST BEGINNING, EXCHANGES HAVE
GATHERED MOMENTUM THROUGHOUT YEAR. CLOSE TO 2,000
AMERICANS HAVE TRAVELED TO PRC SINCE APRIL 1971,
INCLUDING SENATE AND HOUSE LEADERS, GROUPS OF JOURNALISTS,
SCHOLARS, DOCTORS, SCIENTISTS, CHINESE- AMERICANS,
STUDENTS. IN RETURN, CHINESE TABLE TENNIS TEAM,
PHYSICIANS, SCIENTISTS, ZOO OFFICIALS, ACROBATICS GROUP
HAVE COME TO AMERICA. COMMUNICATIONS HAVE BEEN OPENED
NOT ONLY BETWEEN INDIVIDUALS BUT ALSO BETWEEN CHINESE AND
AMERICAN ORGANIZATIONS, SUCH AS SCIENTIFIC AND MEDICAL
ORGANIZATIONS, LIBRARIES, NEWS SERVICES, SPORTS
ASSOCIATIONS.

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" IMPROVED TRADE RELATIONS, STRESSED IN JOINT COMMUNIQUE,
HAVE PROMOTED CONTACTS WITH CHINA BY REPRESENTATIVES
AMERICAN FIRMS RANGING FROM SMALL TRADING COMPANIES TO
SOME OF LARGEST CORPORATIONS IN AMERICA, AND EXPANSION
TRADE FROM LESS THAN \$5 MILLION IN 1971 TO \$92.5 MILLION
IN 1972. NORMALIZATION OF TRADE RELATIONS HAS ENABLED
AMERICAN SUPPLIERS TO COMPETE IN INTERNATIONAL MARKET FOR
CHINA'S ORDERS, AS, FOR EXAMPLE, 700,000 TONS OF US GRAIN

AND COTTON SOLD CHINA AND ORDERS FOR 10 BOEING 707'S AND THREE EARTH SATELLITE STATIONS.

" ON IMPORT SIDE, OVER 40 AMERICANS ATTENDED SPRING 1972 EXPORT FAIR IN CANTON AND CLOSE TO 100 AMERICANS ATTENDED AUTUMN FAIR. IMPORTS REACHED AVERAGE OF MORE THAN \$3 MILLION MONTH IN 1972 AND SHOW PROSPECTS OF GROWING. FURTHER INCREASES EXPECTED TO BE SLOW, SINCE AMERICANS ARE LATE ARRIVALS IN CHINA MARKET AND CERTAIN IMPEDIMENTS PERSIST TO TRADE ON BOTH SIDES. AS PART OF CONTINUING EFFORT TO PROMOTE INCREASED TRADE, HOWEVER, US TAKING ACTION IN CONCERT WITH AUTHORITIES OF PRC TO ELIMINATE BILATERAL PROBLEMS SUCH AS US PRIVATE CLAIMS, FROZEN CHINESE ASSETS, AND OTHER REMAINING BARRIERS.

" WHILE CHINESE AND AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE EXCHANGING IDEAS AND COMMODITIES GOVERNMENTS HAVE MAINTAINED REGULAR CONTACT THROUGH THEIR EMBASSIES IN PARIS. IN UNITED NATIONS, US DELEGATES HAVE ESTABLISHED PROFESSIONAL WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH CHINESE MISSION ON MULTILATERAL ISSUES. IN OCTOBER SECRETARY ROGERS INVITED CHINESE VICE FOREIGN MINISTER CH'IAO KUAN-HUA TO INFORMAL DINNER AT HIS NEW YORK HOME, WHERE THEY ENGAGED IN CORDIAL AND WIDE-RANGING DISCUSSION.

" WE AGREED IN FEBRUARY 1973 NOT ONLY ON CONCRETE PROGRAM TO EXPAND TRADE AND EXCHANGES, BUT ALSO TO FACILITATE PROCESS OF NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS AND THAT EACH SIDE WILL ESTABLISH LIAISON OFFICE IN CAPITAL OF OTHER IN NEAR FUTURE.

" DESPITE ENCOURAGING DEVELOPMENTS, WE CONTINUE TO HAVE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DEEPLY DIVERGENT POLICIES AND APPROACHES, WHICH GOOD WILL ALONE CANNOT ERASE. HOWEVER, FIRST STEPS AWAY FROM HOSTILITY TOWARD COOPERATION HAVE BEEN TAKEN. POTENTIAL FOR MISUNDERSTANDING HAS BEEN LESSENED.

" WE ARE NOW ENGAGED IN LESS SPECTACULAR BUT NO LESS IMPORTANT PHASE OF BUILDING ON FOUNDATION OF DETENTE AND MUTUAL TRUST ESTABLISHED OVER PAST YEAR. EXPANDED TRADE AND CULTURAL EXCHANGES WILL FEATURE PROMINENTLY IN PROCESS, BUT OUR EFFORTS WILL NOT BE CONFINED TO THESE TWO AREAS. OUR GOAL REMAINS TO MOVE NOT MERELY FROM HOSTILITY TO DETENTE BUT FROM DETENTE TO COOPERATION. IN PURSUING THIS GOAL, WE REMAIN AWARE OF IMPORTANCE OF OUR EXISTING RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER NATIONS AND OUR COMMITMENTS TO OECD FRIENDS. NORMAL RELATIONS WITH CHINA DO NOT REQUIRE US TO SACRIFICE OUR TIES WITH OTHER NATIONS. ON CONTRARY,

INTERESTS OF US AND CAUSE OF WORLD PEACE REQUIRE THAT WE
WORK TO STRENGTHEN OUR RELATIONSHIPS WITH ALL COUNTRIES
WHICH ARE WILLING TO DEVELOP PRODUCTIVE RELATIONSHIP WITH
US.

" DRAMATIC EVENTS OF PAST YEAR HAVE ENCOURAGED OUR HOPE
THAT SUCH RELATIONSHIP IS POSSIBLE WITH PRC AND THAT
SENSE OF MUTUAL TRUST CAN GROW, EVEN BETWEEN COUNTRIES
WITH DIFFERENT IDEOLOGIES. UNQUOTE

2. NOTE EMPHASIS ON FACT THAT US POLICY WORKS TOWARD
BALANCED IMPROVEMENT OF RELATIONS WITH BOTH PRC AND USSR.
NOTE ALSO REAFFIRMATION OF IMPORTANCE TO USG QUOTE OF
OUR EXISTING RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER NATIONS AND OUR
COMMITMENTS TO OLD FRIENDS UNQUOTE AND REAFFIRMATION OF
US CONFIDENCE THAT IMPROVED RELATIONS WITH PRC POSSIBLE
WITHOUT SACRIFICING TIES WITH OTHER COUNTRIES. ROGERS

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